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Title : OPEN-ENDED POLYIMIDE MOLDINGS Confirmation No.: 4791  
: AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THEM  

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Official Action dated March 7, 2003, Applicants amend the Application as follows:



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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application**

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**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

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- a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

- i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b.  Enclosed

- i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
 ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv.  Other Claim of Extension of Time for Response

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) \_\_\_\_\_
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- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

- b.  Check in the amount of \$ 750.00/\$930.00 enclosed 01 FC:1801 750.00 OP
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In re Application of Hideaki Machida et al.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 with the exception of the Issue Fee which we intend to pay by check.



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